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Masanori MATSUDA, et al. : EXAMINER: MACKEY, P.  
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ELECTION OF SPECIES

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In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2003, Applicants elect without traverse Species A, as depicted in Figure 13 of the present application. Accordingly, Applicants identify Claims 1-7, 17, 18, and 21 as readable on the elected species. Applicants respectfully concur with the Examiner's determination that Claim 1 is a generic claim.

Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action on the merits.

Finally, the attention of the Patent Office is directed to the change of address of Applicants' representative, effective January 6, 2003:

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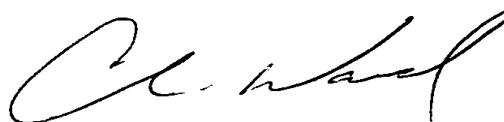
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